

House Resolution No. 2339

Whereas, Cedric the Entertainer was born April 14, 1964, and recognizes his hometown as St. Louis, Missouri; and

Whereas, a popular actor and comedian, Cedric the Entertainer is best known as one of the headlining stars of the hit film "The Original Kings of Comedy", MTV's acclaimed documentary feature which was directed by Spike Lee and starred Cedric along with funnymen Steve Harvey, D.L. Hughley, and Bernie Mac; and

Whereas, Cedric has celebrated many career successes spanning television, live performances, and film, and has earned numerous awards and honors for his talent, including four consecutive NAACP Image Awards for Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Comedy Series for his portrayal of the lovable Coach Cedric Robinson on the WB's #1 rated sitcom "The Steve Harvey Show", which ran for six seasons; and

Whereas, the 1994 Black Entertainment Television Richard Pryor Comic of the Year, Cedric debuted his new sketch/variety television series "Cedric the Entertainer Presents..." on the Fox Television Network in 2002, following which he garnered a People's Choice nomination for Best New Comedy Series and won the AFTRA award of excellence in television programming; and

Whereas, Cedric has recently appeared on the big screen in such hits as "Intolerable Cruelty", "Big Momma's House", "Kingdom Come", and "Serving Sara", and has displayed his tremendous vocal abilities in "Dr. Doolittle 2" and "Ice Age"; and

Whereas, Cedric is known and respected as a staunch philanthropist, founding the Cedric "The Entertainer" Charitable Foundation, Inc., which contributes financial aid to inner-city communities through scholarships and outreach programs in his hometown of St. Louis; and

Whereas, Cedric and his family resided in Ward III at 8422 Alder in the City of Berkeley from 1976 to 1986:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and best wishes to Cedric the Entertainer at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Cedric the Entertainer, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Theodore Hoskins
District No. 80

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2339, adopted April 29, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker